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March 31, 2023

Congressman Jason Crow  
2170 S. Parker Road, Suite 280  
Aurora, CO 80231

Dear Congressman Crow,

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with you and your staff earlier this week. I appreciate the ability to reach out to your office and share updates on our community and some of the changes/needs we are anticipating.

Today, I am writing to express my appreciation for the K-9 unit of the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office. Our K-9's have a vital role within the ACSO and the community. Not only have we seen first-hand how they can save the life of a deputy, K-9's have made a huge impact through their ability to connect with the public at large and have been tremendous in solidifying the communities support for the ASCO.

Part of our K-9 team are the School Resource Officer Therapy Dogs that have brought a sense of peace and security to our schools. We have continued to fund the expansion of this program into more schools across both the Littleton Public School District and the Cherry Creek School District.

As part of our ACSO team, our K-9's deserve to have the appropriate care and protections provided to them. Any financial support that can be provided to ensure the proper environment for the K-9 unit to continue training at the highest level is a worthwhile investment in our community. I would appreciate your office's support for this request.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

With appreciation,

Stephanie Piko  
Mayor, City of Centennial



March 30, 2023

Congressman Jason Crow  
2170 S Parker Road, Suite #280  
Aurora, CO 80231

Dear Congressman Crow,

I am writing this letter to express my strong support for a federal grant to build climate-controlled K-9 kennels for the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office in Colorado. As you are aware, K-9 units play a crucial role in law enforcement and have become an indispensable part of many police departments.

The proposed project to build climate-controlled K-9 kennels will not only provide a safer and more comfortable environment for the K-9s, but it will also enhance the effectiveness of Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office's law enforcement efforts. The grant will go towards the construction of the indoor/outdoor kennels, which will include heating and air conditioning systems, improved ventilation, and better insulation.

Not only will the kennels improve the living conditions for the K-9s, but will also allow Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office to house the K-9s at the Sheriff's Office while one of the handlers is on vacation or injured and thus allow other handlers to feed them, care for them and, if necessary, do training reps with the K-9s to keep their skills sharp while their handler is away.

The team of K-9 units at Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office is heavily involved in supporting the local community by actively participating in local events and educating the public on the activities of working dogs of the K-9 units.

As someone who partners closely with the efforts of Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, I strongly urge you to support this federal grant for the construction of climate-controlled K-9 kennels for the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office. This project is an investment in the safety and well-being of the hardworking K-9s and will ultimately benefit the community by enhancing law enforcement efforts!

Thank you for your attention to this matter and I appreciate your efforts in supporting the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office and the K-9 units.

Sincerely,  
Amy Salley  
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K-9 climate controlled kennels for ACSO  
Congressman Crow

It is a great privilege to write you in support of ACSO applying for a grant to provide climate controlled kennels for the brave and heroic K-9 unit I have become closely associated with. I became familiar with these amazing K9s about 12 years ago when I participated in a day with K9s and SWAT in Aurora. I learned the unit is nearly wholly dependent on community support and contributions and that precious few citizens realize how much the officers and their partners do to keep us all safe. Silent heroes! Their work is done without much recognition and they deserve so much more!! My family, JHL Constructors and Back the Blue K-9 Force joined together to provide an appropriate training facility at ACSO, completed last year. This came about because of the atrocious ground they were forced to train on for years prior. These heroes give their handlers....their partners....their all.....they give the community peace of mind they don't even recognize they'd be without if they weren't doing their job. I am encouraging you to speak for this invaluable unit so they have the best support possible.  
Many thanks for your involvement and standing with the K-9 Unit!  
Best regards

Beverly Hachmeister  
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Inbound Summary

letter of support for CPF Request

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Mach 27, 2023

Congressman Crow,

My name is Diane Lewis and I am a co-founder of Back The Blue K-9 Force a registered 501c3 nonprofit out of Centennial, Colorado.

We have had the honor to work with the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office since 2016 funding 9 of their K-9s and much of their safety gear and medical needs.

When we first heard about the kennels that could be purchased we had just read about a K-9 in another state who panicked when his handler had gone to a training course and the dog was boarded at a kennel. The dog got out and started running. Luckily this dog was found after a couple of days safe. Other dogs have not been as lucky.

A kennel at the department would enable other handlers to come feed and water the dogs and exercise them. A familiar face in a handler or someone in the command staff will help reassure the K-9 until "Dad" gets home.

The training that is lost when handlers aren't able to work the dogs due to a handler injury is expensive. These smart, driven dogs need to be exercised daily, or quite frankly they can get into trouble.

K-9s are family to the handlers. They spend a lot more time with these partners than they do with their 2 legged family members.

Our community is safer because of K-9s. It is our responsibility to work hard to keep them as safe as we can.

We appreciate this opportunity.

Thank you,  
Diane Lewis



March 27, 2023

Congressman Jason Crow  
2170 S. Parker Road, Suite 280  
Aurora, Colorado 80231

Dear Congressman Crow,

Hope you are doing well.

It has come to my attention that you may be able to assist the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office with the procurement of some available grant money for the construction of the indoor/outdoor kennels to house their K-9s. Based on your recent visit to the sheriff's office, you can see how beneficial this request is.

I believe they have asked for \$150,000 for this project. I am in support of this request. The new kennels will provide a safe place for the K-9s to reside while the handlers are on vacation or should they require time apart for various reasons. Other handlers within the K-9 unit can take care of and continue training while the handler and the dog are apart.

Law enforcement K-9s save lives. Whether it is protecting its handler, getting a dangerous person off the streets or getting dangerous drugs off the streets, what they do is incredibly valuable. As you know, K-9 Graffit, with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, was recently killed in the line of duty. Graffit was a hero that very sad day, but he saved three deputies' lives. These dogs are recognized deputies and officers within law enforcement. These dogs are also heroes to the communities they serve.

Please join us in supporting this request and help us fund this worthwhile initiative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Darby Kelly". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping line extending from the end of the name.

Darby Kelly